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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of May 8, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 1 as in the attached marked-up copy to read as follows:

1. (Amended) An anion exchange membrane comprising a resin phase which contains from 20 to 96 mass% of a polymer having repeating units represented by the following formula (1):

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

## Amendment + Marked-Up Copy

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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